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SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 has been rewritten to incorporate the limitations of Claim 43. Support for the amendment is in previously presented Claim 43.

Claims 23-41 were previously cancelled. Claim 43 is currently cancelled.

Independent Claim 44 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claim 1. Support for the amendment is in previously presented Claim 1.

Independent Claim 45 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claim 1. Support for the amendment is in previously presented Claim 1.

It is respectfully submitted that there is no possibility of new matter and entry and consideration of the foregoing claims is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 and 44 and 45 are in the case. Claims 23-41 were previously cancelled. Claim 43 is currently cancelled.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 43-45 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim.

Applicants respectfully submit that they have rewritten Claims 43-45 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim. Claim 43 was incorporated into Claim 1, and thus Claim 43 is herein cancelled. Claims 44 and 45 were amended to include all of the limitations of the base claim. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the rejection to Claims 1-22 and the objection to Claims 43-45 be withdrawn.

It is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance and early notice of the same is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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